

## **APRSAF-17 POSTER CONTEST**

On the occasion of the 17th session of Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum<sup>1</sup> (APRSAF-17), to be co-organized by the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (DIISR) and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)<sup>2</sup> from 23 to 26 November 2010 in Melbourne, Australia, there will be a Poster Contest for children in this region, to encourage them to explore their creativity, expand their imaginations and express their dreams of discovering the unknowns of the universe.

### **Objectives:**

- \* To enhance children's interest in and awareness of space science and technology; and
- \* To encourage them to expand their imagination about the universe

### **Theme: "Space technology to Help the Earth"**



\*This Poster Contest encourages children to expand their imagination and explore how space technology helps us every day. It also contributes to the celebration of the International Year of Biodiversity in 2010.

\*To assist teachers to introduce this topic a Power Point presentation can be downloaded free from the VSSEC website [www.vssec.vic.edu.au](http://www.vssec.vic.edu.au)

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<sup>1</sup> APRSAF commenced in 1993 following the adoption by the Asia-Pacific International Space Year Conference (APIC) of the declaration, among others, to enhance the development of each country's space program and to exchange views toward future cooperation in space activities in the Asia-Pacific region. Since then, APRSAF has held 16 sessions to achieve the goals enshrined in the declaration.

<sup>2</sup> In cooperation with the Victorian Space Science Education Centre (VSSEC) of Australia, as well as the Strategic Headquarters for Space Policy and Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) of Japan.

**Drawing / Painting Rules:**

- \* Drawing / painting should be made on paper of A3 size (297 x420 mm) at minimum and A2 size (420x594 mm) at maximum.
- \* Means of drawing / painting are free: pencil, crayon, water color, oil painting, computer drawing, etc. However, photos are not accepted.
- \* **The drawing / painting must not include words or slogans must not represent any particular individual, organization, or brand name.**
- \* Each drawing / painting must have the name of the participant(s) and his/her/their country in English on the back side.

**General Rules:**

- \* The contest is open for participation by children in Asia-Pacific region at the age from 8 up to 11 years old.
- \* A poster can be submitted by either a single student or a group of up to two students.
- \* Each country should select three (3) best posters and submit them to the local organizer along with the completed entry form, which is available from the Secretariat of APRSAF Space Education and Awareness Working Group.
- \* The digital copies of the selected posters, in “jpg” files, and a copy of the completed entry form must be submitted to the Secretariat of APRSAF Space Education and Awareness Working Group at the following e-mail address, [aprsaf17posters@edu.jaxa.jp](mailto:aprsaf17posters@edu.jaxa.jp) . Each file should contain the digital copy of only one poster, and the size of each file should not exceed 2 MB.
- \* The original of the selected drawings/paintings must be submitted to the local organizer at the following mailing address:

APRSAF-17 Poster Contest Victorian Space Science Education Centre (VSSEC) @ Strathmore Secondary College 400 Pascoe Vale Rd Strathmore, Melbourne, Australia 3041 Tel: +61 3 9379 3456 Fax +61 3 9374 3855 email: <a href="mailto:information@vssec.vic.edu.au">information@vssec.vic.edu.au</a>
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**Certificates:**

Certificates will be issued to all participants whose posters have been selected for APRSAF-17 Poster Contest.

**Copyright:**

All submitted drawings and paintings will be the property of the co-organizers of the Poster Contest, VSSEC, DIISR and JAXA, and they may be used for publications or websites of VSSEC, DIISR and JAXA as well as other information materials.

**Deadline:**

The **digital copies** of the selected posters must reach the Secretariat of APRSAF Space Education and Awareness Working Group by **Friday, 15 October 2010**. The **originals** of the posters must reach the Local Organizer by **Friday, 29 October 2010**.

**Selection of award winners:**

All members of APRSAF Space Education and Awareness Working Group as well as registered participants of APRSAF-17 will be invited to participate in the selection of award winners by casting one vote per person either on-line prior to APRSAF-17 or on site during APRSAF-17. Details of the voting will be communicated to the Working Group members and the participants of APRSAF-17 in due course. "APRSAF Best Poster Award" will be given to the poster that receives the most votes, and "Special APRSAF Poster Award" will be given to those that receive the second and third most votes. The final voting results will be reviewed by the Working Group and will be announced during APRSAF-17.

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[aprsaf17posters@edu.jaxa.jp](mailto:aprsaf17posters@edu.jaxa.jp).)